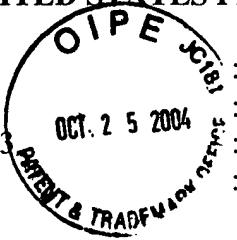


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Sir:

In accordance with Rule 1.136, the Applicants respectfully petition the Commissioner for an extension of time extending to October 20, 2004 the period for response to the Office Action dated May 20, 2004. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the extension fee in the amount of \$430 to Deposit Account No. 50-1556. The responsive paper is also attached.

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